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## **FAXOGRAM: Water Order Change**

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Subject: **Canyon Ferry Water Release Order - CFR No. 14-38**

### **CURRENT RESERVOIR CONDITIONS:**

Elevation: 3797.64; Storage: 1,913,273 acre-feet; River Release: 6,750 cfs; Inflow: 6,785 cfs;

### **GENERAL COMMENTS:**

The Helena Valley Irrigation District has requested an increase in diversions to Helena Valley Reservoir. Also, Canyon Ferry Reservoir releases continue to evacuate storage out of the exclusive flood pool. In response, the following operation change is required at Canyon Ferry Dam and Powerplant.

### **CANYON FERRY RELEASES AND OPERATIONS: Times are Mountain Daylight Savings Time (MDST)**

#### **At 1000 hour on Wednesday, July 9, 2014:**

*Decrease releases through the river outlet gates to 1,475 cfs.*

*Maintain releases through the spillway gates at 0 cfs.*

*Maintain turbine release at  $\approx 4,900$  cfs ( $\approx 1,303$  MW-Hrs/day using 90.2 cfs/mw).*

*Increase release for Helena Valley Project to 625 cfs (300 cfs pumped to Helena Valley and 325 cfs discharged to the Missouri River).*

*Decrease release to the Missouri River to 6,700 cfs.*

*Maintain total release from Canyon Ferry to 7,000 cfs.*

**Special Note: Maintain turbine releases at maximum powerplant capacity. If turbine release is more or less than shown above, increase or decrease releases through the river outlet gates to achieve a total release out of Canyon Ferry of 7,000 cfs.**